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In re Application of

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For:

SETS OF RATE-COMPATIBLE

UNIVERSAL TURBO CODES NEARLY OPTIMIZED OVER VARIOUS RATES AND

INTERLEAVER SIZES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 **BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

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Further to the Preliminary Amendment mailed by Applicants on February 8, 2002, and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 6 with the following new paragraph: -This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of the filing date of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/248,338, filed February 11, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,370,669, and under 35 U.S.C. § 1.19(e) of the filing dates of U.S. Provisional Application Nos. 60/072,368, filed January 23, 1998, now abandoned, 60/074,932, filed February 17, 1998, now abandoned, 60/075,742, filed February 23, 1998, now abandoned, and 60/076,464, filed March 2, 1998, now abandoned, the entire content of each of these provisional applications are incorporated herein by reference.

A marked up version of this paragraph showing the changes made thereto, is attached. 10/17/2002 YPOLITE1 000000025 500383 10038003

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